

RUSSELL H. SECHRIST



1891—Born Stephenson County, Freeport, Ill.

1897-1907—Attended Freeport public schools and high school. Carried papers and worked in dry goods store after school and on Saturdays.

1908-1910—Clerked in dry goods store.

1910-1913—Started to study rug and drapery lines.

1913—Went to Waterloo, Ia., as buyer and manager of rug and drapery store and large furniture store.

1914—Buyer and manager of rug and drapery department of Paul Dams Dry Goods Co., department store.

1914—Married Miss Freda Luedelung, of Freeport, Ill.

1917—Became a floorman for S. S. Kresge Co.'s store No. 123.

1919—Sent to Port Huron, Mich., as Manager of store No. 2.

GEO. R. RAIKES



1889—Born in Rochester, N. Y. Father, English; Mother, American.

1886—Mother died. Moved to the country, attended country school, walking two miles each way.

1898-1899—Returned to Rochester, N. Y., attended grammar school, and graduated.

1895—Took first position as THE BOY, in a grocery store, to learn the grocery business, at \$3.50 per week; hours, 6:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Saturday, midnight.

1896-1897—Still in the grocery, and doing night study, under former school principal.

1898-1901—Superintendent of collections and deliveries for a laundry company, taking a business course nights, Rochester Business Institute.

1901-1906—Took up railroad work, New York Central Railroad, trainman, freight conductor and passenger conductor.

1907-1910—Conductor on New High Speed Electric Road, assistant road master in charge of construction and maintenance.

1911—January, entered the employ of S. S. Kresge Co., stockman, store No. 30, Patterson, N. J. March, floorman. September, attended school at the general offices of the Company in Detroit. October, assistant manager, store No. 53, Buffalo.

1912-1915—January 1, Manager, my first store, No. 63, Brockton, Mass., for three years.

1915-1920—Transferred to No. 3 store, Toledo, Ohio.